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## THE WAR. TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

### THE GREAT BATTLE. ENEMY'S OBJECT COMPLETELY DEFEATED.

London, Dec. 1.  
Reuter's Correspondent, continuing his dispatch of yesterday, says:—  
By three o'clock in the afternoon the enemy had been thrown right back out of the village of Gonnellecourt. We again took possession of the higher ground and the railway, which are really important.

The fighting is still progressing. We fought our way back through Gauche Wood to the very outskirts of Gonnellecourt.

A desperate enemy effort to retake Bourlon Wood, which our airmen at one time reported was hard pressed, was finally broken up, with heavy enemy losses from our intense artillery concentration.

At one time yesterday it looked as if the enemy was going to inflict a serious reverse upon us, but thanks to the extraordinary gallantry of the troops and the dogged tenacity with which they opposed the great odds, the enemy success was very largely neutralised.

The weather remains fine and the visibility is good.

### THE WORK OF THE AVIATORS IN THE FIGHT.

London, Dec. 2.  
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, reporting on the aviation, states:—  
The clouds were at a height of 2,000 feet yesterday, but our aeroplanes continuously co-operated with other arms in the counter-attacks, to the south-west of Cambrai.

Our artillery-machines reported over 200 enemy batteries. Our bombing-machines dropped over 200 bombs on troops and transport in the villages to the rear of the battle front, and the scouting machines fired over 15,000 machine-gun rounds on troops and transport moving behind the fighting area.

The air fighting was very severe and resulted greatly in our favour. Fifteen hostile machines were brought down and three were driven down. Seven of our machines are missing.

NINE ENEMY ATTACKS REPULSED.

London, Dec. 2.  
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—  
The enemy delivered nine separate attacks in the neighbourhood of Osmeres. We beat off all the attacks, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy.

Some detachments of the German infantry in the last attacks, gained a foothold in the village of Les Bueveries, on the west bank of the Canal de la Caut, but our counter-attack drove them out.

We repulsed raiders in the neighbourhood of Avion and to the south of Armentieres.

### GERMAN REPORT.

London, Dec. 1.  
A German official message states:—  
Strong English counter-attacks against the positions we captured yesterday, near Cambrai, failed.

ARTILLERY ACTIVITY ON THE MEUSE.

London, Dec. 2.  
A German official message states:—  
The artillery activity continues to be very strong on the right of the Meuse, but there has been no change in the situation.

### SIR DOUGLAS HAIG'S LATEST DISPATCH. AN INTERESTING GERMAN ORDER.

LATER.  
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

Orders and objective maps, captured in various sectors of the Cambrai battlefield enable the following account to be given of the battle which commenced yesterday morning and is still progressing.

The enemy's intention was to deliver a simultaneous enveloping attack with large numbers of Divisions and drive us out of the positions we gained on November 20.

General von der Marwitz, commanding the Second German Army, issued on November 20 the following order:—

The English by throwing into the fight countless Tanks on November 20 gained a victory near Cambrai. The intention was to break through. They did not succeed, thanks to the brilliant resistance of the troops put into the line to check the advance. We are now going to turn their embryonic victory into a defeat by an encircling counter-attack.

Owing to the magnificent defence and stubborn resistance of our troops the enemy's object was completely defeated.

The enemy advanced in masses from Stenhouse to a point two kilometres westward of Moeuvres, endeavouring to break through by weight of numbers.

From Masnières northward our positions are intact. Artillery, rifle and machine-gun fire inflicted the severest losses on the enemy. Where he temporarily broke through, he was caught by point-blank fire of the field artillery and driven back by immediate counter-attacks.

The enemy forced his way to our lines on a considerable front southward of Crevecoeur, capturing a number of prisoners and reaching our gun-positions in places.

Our reserves counter-attacked and recaptured a great part of the ground, and to-day retook Gonnelle and St. Quentin Spur, to the south of Gonnelle.

We took several hundred prisoners in these operations and many machine-guns and inflicted heavy losses.

The enemy in the afternoon repeated his attacks in the neighbourhood of Masnières, Maroing, Fontaine, Bourlon and Moeuvres. Present reports show that he has been completely repulsed.

### A MONTH'S CAPTURES.

We took in November 11,551 prisoners, including 214 officers, 188 guns, including 40 heavy guns, 800 machine-guns, 64 trench mortars, as well as great quantities of engineering stores, ammunition and war material.

### GERMAN REPORT.

A German official message states:—  
There was most violent artillery activity throughout the night astride Passchendaele.

The English attacks eastward and westward of Moeuvres broke down.

We cleared out the enemy from Masnières and repulsed strong counter-attacks after desperate fighting on the west bank of the Scheldt, also westward of Yverdonk, taking several hundred prisoners.

Our artillery are now 60 guns and 1,000 machine-guns.



## THE WAR.

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## SUNDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## MR. BONAR LAW ON THE LANSDOWNE LETTER.

## A WARNING TO PACIFISTS.

London, Dec. 1.

Mr. Bonar Law, during the course of his speech at the Conservative and Unionist meeting, dwelt on the horrible prospect of a continuance of the war, but, he said, we had entered on the war to get peace now, as well as security for peace in time to come, which would not be obtained by a peace settlement now. Lord Lansdowne's letter was based on the strange assumption that peace was possible because the Germans say they are ready to have a pact of nations and to discuss disarmament. Mr. Bonar Law recalled that the British Government, before the war, did not dare suggest disarmament to the Germans. The Germans regarded it almost as a *cave belli* and prohibited the circulation of books recommending it, before the war, and he believed that that prohibition still existed. He believed that a considerable amount of discontent with the present system had grown up in Germany, but that was because the military system was not giving the expected results. If peace was made to-day, the very men who had committed the greatest crime in history would be left again in power with the same machine, ready to do the same thing whenever the opportunity occurred. Such men would not be bound by a pact of nations because they signed the treaty. Mr. Bonar Law asked what force could bind them? The whole world was organised against them to-day in a way that would not be likely to recur. If we could not finish on our rights now, how should we fight against them in the new conditions? He was forced to believe that the only way whereby Germans could be made to realise that war did not pay and that the military machine cannot get the results desired, was by our obtaining victory. It was not only by decisive military results that the war may be ended. Let the Germans realise that we can continue longer than they and the change of feeling in Germany will itself bring the results we all long for. Mr. Bonar Law uttered the warning that if the pacifist movement was stimulated by Lord Lansdowne's letter and was to assume form in the House of Commons so that the Government could not rely on the vote of the House for its measures, the Government would not try to remain in office. He asserted that a peace made upon the Lansdowne basis would really be defeat for us. If in the end we would not see it through, did any one really believe that the unity of the British Empire would retain its solidarity and become a greater reality still, as a result of the war?

## LORD LANSDOWNE'S DENIAL.

London, Dec. 1.

Lord Lansdowne, interviewed by the *Daily Express*, said: "I should like it known, positively, that the letter was entirely on my own responsibility. I consulted nobody about it. An absurd idea has been spread that the suggestions were made to me by other people. I want to deny that."

## THE GOVERNMENT'S VIEW.

London, Nov. 30.

Reuter's Agency is authoritatively informed that the following is the Government's view regarding Lord Lansdowne's letter:

"Lord Lansdowne only spoke for himself. Before writing it he had not consulted, indeed, nor had he communicated, with any member of the Government, who read it with as much surprise as anyone else. The views expressed in the letter in no wise represent the Government's view, nor do they indicate in the slightest degree that there is any change or modification in the country's war policy, which is still what it has always been described by the Prime Minister, Mr. Asquith, Mr. Bonar Law and Mr. Balfour. The war policy has been spoken of in different words, but perhaps the best summary of it in the recent utterance of Mr. Clemenceau, namely, the war aim for which we are fighting is victory."

## GERMAN PRESS COMMENT.

LATER.

German newspapers give prominence to Lord Lansdowne's letter, hailing it with great satisfaction as a semi-official feeling.

The newspapers are of opinion that it shows "England is beginning to get reasonable."

## A DISASTER.

LATER.

At a representative meeting of the Conservative and Unionist Parties, which was attended by Sir Edward Carson, the Rt. Hon. Mr. Walter Long, Viscount Chaplin, and delegates from every part of the country, Mr. Bonar Law strongly repudiated Lord Lan-

downe's letter which he is stated to have described as "a disaster."

Mr. Bonar Law pointed out that Lord Lansdowne only spoke for himself.

This pronouncement was received with approval and regarded as constituting the party's official and definite disapproval of the letter.

The meeting passed a strongly supported resolution dissociating itself from sympathy with Lord Lansdowne's letter, and decided immediately to telegraph the resolution to the Allied Conference at Paris.

## SIBERIA TO DECLARE INDEPENDENCE.

London, Dec. 1.

The *Daily Mail* Petrograd Correspondent states that, Siberia is about to declare its independence under the leadership of M. Pristapin.

Ministers have already been appointed and have been constantly sitting at Omsk.

## THE RUSSIAN SITUATION.

London, Dec. 1.

A telegram from Paris says that General Nieuco, head of the Rumanian Mission, on being interviewed on the Russian collapse, said that even at the worst the situation was not impossible. They could wire for plenty of loyal troops from the Cossacks and Ukrainians, and besides those with General Teherbatoff, a centre of resistance could be established, based on the Black Sea Fleet.

The Russian forces in Armenia are being placed under the command of the British in Mesopotamia.

Supplies could be maintained by the Siberian Railway, guarded and worked by Americans, and from the Persian Gulf through Persia.

## THE RUSSIAN PEACE OFFER.

POSSIBILITY OF JAPANESE INTERFERENCE.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 2.

The *Lokaleiniger* doubts whether the German peace offer is justified, owing to the instability of the Bolsheviks and the possibility of Japanese invasion of Russia.

RUMANIAN GENERAL INVITED TO COMMAND RUSSIAN ARMY.

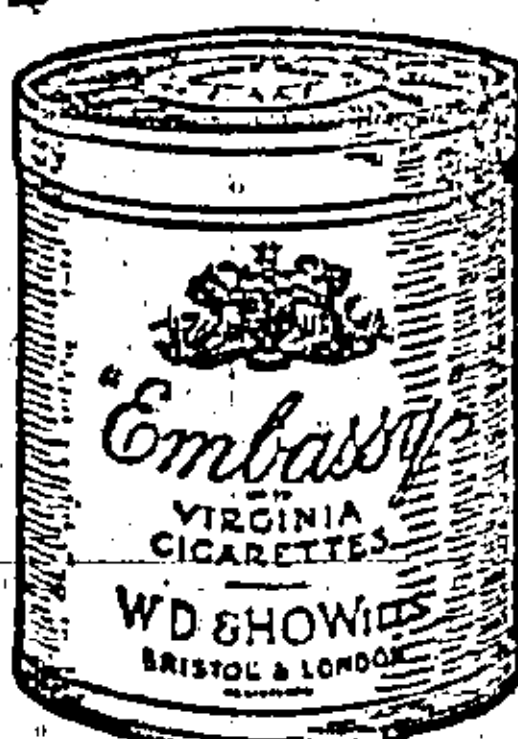
London, Dec. 1.

The *Daily Chronicle's* Petrograd Correspondent says that General Dukhonin has invited General Cherbatoff, who is commanding the Rumanian Army at the Front, to become Generalissimo.

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## THE ITALIAN FRONT.

INTENSE ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

LONDON, Nov. 30.

An Italian official report states—There was intense artillery firing, particularly at Molete, the Middle and Lowest Piave Plains.

A British monitor obtained a direct hit at a bridge of boats near Passarella.

## TURKISH WAR MINISTER'S DECLARATION.

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 30.

In the Turkish Chamber, the War Minister declared that the Turkish defeat at Bamadieh had not influenced the general position. The Turkish Army in Mesopotamia was materially and morally able to do its duty. He admitted that the Turkish Army in Palestine was "obliged to retire a little in consequence of certain military requirements," but he affirmed that the position was safe.

## THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Dec. 1.

Messrs. Montagu & Co.'s report says the market continues quiet. The price seems little disposed to move. Shanghai exchange has risen though the price of silver has fallen.

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## THE FREEDOM OF THE SEAS.

INSPIRING SPEECH BY MR. MACPHERSON.

LONDON, Nov. 30.

At a Scottish Corporation luncheon given in the Criterion Restaurant, the Rt. Hon. Mr. Andrew Fisher, High Commissioner for Australia, presiding, Mr. MacPherson, Parliamentary Secretary to the War Office, said much was being said at present about the nebulous phrase "Freedom of the Seas." "As far as we are concerned, there can be no discussion of the question of freedom of the seas. Freedom to whom? To pirates and worse. (Cheers.) Our sailors have sailed the seas from time immemorial with clean hands. (Cheers.) Instead of freedom of the seas to pirates and worse, there must be a clearing of the seas of a barbarous and treacherous foe, who has polluted the oceans with his foul crimes. It is not for us to discuss whether we shall have freedom of the seas, because what we have done with all our might to maintain our superiority on the sea was done in the interests not only of ourselves but of every other country which loved right and liberty. Our confidence in our gallant sailors, whose hands are innocent of crime, is unabated, and we will support them to the end. (Cheers.) There must be no sign that we are not wholehearted in our determination to fight to the end for liberty and justice, so that our descendants may live free from the fear of an unscrupulous neighbour. Above all, we must fight so that the doctrine of the Sermon on the Mount may survive. (Cheers.)"

## UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE FOR HOLLAND.

THE HAGUE, Nov. 30.

Queen Wilhelmina has endorsed the Bill for Constitution Revision, which finally passed the States-General, granting universal suffrage and proportional representation.

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## TELEGRAMS.

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### THE WESTERN FRONT.

#### ENEMY ARTILLERY INCREASING IN VIOLENCE.

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Reuter's Correspondent at British

Headquarters reported to-day:

Since yesterday there has been con-

siderable infantry activity on the battle-

fronts south and west Cambrai.

The weather is fine and favourable.

A minor operation yesterday after-

noon gave us the little ridge west of

Bourlon Wood offering a very useful

observation towards Queant.

During the night the violent enemy

artillery steadily increased against

Graincourt and Bourlon Wood. To-day

fighting appears to be developing in the

region of Gouzeaucourt, some miles south

of the Cambrai battle field.

I gather that the Germans are attack-

ing, but it is impossible at present to

indicate to what extent, but our airman

during the past few days have been

observing enemy movements, so it is

set likely we will be caught napping.

The slow rearward adjustment of the

German line continues in places.

We are firmly maintaining our new

line.

#### FRENCH ARTILLERY ACTIVE.

LONDON, Nov. 30.

A French communiqué reports that

the artillery is fairly active north of

Chemin-des-Dames and on the right of

the Meuse.

#### HEAVY GERMAN ATTACK.

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Reuter's Correspondent at Headquar-

ters, telegraphing this evening, states:

This morning the Germans heavily

counter-attacked upon a front of several

thousand yards from the direction of

Bourlon village. The enemy followed

our recent tactics, for, after a quiet

night, he suddenly put down a heavy

barage of gas-shells.

The infantry advanced in dense

masses, and our troops gave some ground

under the first shock of the assault, but

reinforcements were immediately hurled

to the spot and a vigorous attack was

delivered.

The latest news indicates that we

have driven back the Huns, and it

seems likely the evicting will be com-

pleted to-night.

The correspondent points out that

the incident is such as we must antici-

pate now we have reverted to open

warfare in this sector. The Germans

are probably trying to get astride our

lines of communication with the idea of

pinching us out from the new salient.

#### GERMAN REPORTS.

LONDON, Nov. 30.

A German official report states:

There was very violent artillery

fighting on both sides of Poelcapelle and

northward of Gheluvelt.

We repulsed an English attack west-

ward of Bourlon.

LONDON, Nov. 30.

A German official report states that

the struggles have developed on the

Cambrai battlefield so far, in their

favour.

#### HEAVY GERMAN ATTACKS REPULSED.

LONDON, Dec. 1.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig

reports:

After a violent bombardment,

strong enemy forces, at eight o'clock

this morning, attacked on a wide

front to the south of Cambrai, be-

tween Vendhuile and Crevecoeur.

Shortly afterwards, heavy attacks

developed against the positions to the

west of Cambrai, in the neighbour-

hood of Bourlon Wood and Meuvres.

All the attacks, from Manieres to

Meuvres, were repulsed, after many

hours' fierce fighting, in which great

losses were inflicted on the enemy

infantry by our artillery, rifle and

machine-gun fire.

To the southward of Manieres,

from the neighbourhood of Bonas to

Villerguislain, the enemy suc-

ceeded in entering our positions at

different points and penetrated as

far as Lavacquerie and Gouzeaucourt.

Our counter-attacks have

already regained Lavacquerie and

have driven back the enemy from

Gouzeaucourt and the ridge to the

east of that place.

The enemy's advance was checked

elsewhere, and the fighting con-

## AVIATION ACTIVITY.

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig,

reporting on aviation, states:

Our low flying machines, on Thurs-

day, fired several rounds at the

enemy's infantry.

One hundred and eighty bombs

were dropped on a large dump, to

the northward of Cambrai, on Rou-

lers railway station and on billets

in the battle area.

The enemy aircraft was very

active.

We brought down six and drove

down two enemy machines. Three

of ours are missing.

### LATER.

#### SUCCESSFUL RAIDS.

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig

reports that the enemy did not

attempt to renew, last night, his

principal attacks on the Cambrai

battlefront.

We successfully repulsed local

attacks to the south-west of

Vendhuile.

The hostile artillery was active in

the Scarpe valley.

We drove off three attempted

raids last night to the south-west

of La Bassée.

We carried out two successful

raids in the neighbourhood of

Warstein.

#### GERMAN REPORT.

A German official message states:

The battle near Cambrai broke out

in great violence.

Our counter-attacks for the im-

provement of our positions met with

complete success.

We threw back the enemy on

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Hongkong, Dec. 3, 1917. 2357

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

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### FRIDAY.

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### THE CALENDAR.

### MEMO FOR TO-MORROW.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture, Blackwood Ware, Pianos etc. at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

### General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, Dec. 8.—

General Holiday.

MONDAY, Dec. 10.—

5.30 p.m.—Recital by Mr. Deaman Fuller in Helena May Institute.

SATURDAY, Dec. 15.—

General Holiday.

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HONGKONG, MONDAY, DEC. 3, 1917.

### LORD LANSDOWNE'S INDISCRETION.

The chorus of protest which Lord Lansdowne's letter has evoked makes a striking manifestation of British resolution at a time when the collapse of Russia darkens the horizon. When the news of this startling letter first came through we naturally imagined that it represented a phase of responsible opinion in Great Britain of which we had had no previous indication; but later cables show conclusively that Lord Lansdowne has given expression only to his own views; indeed his lordship has himself declared that he consulted nobody about it. A remarkable feature of the London Press comment on the letter is that it shows that only one Conservative and two or three of the most Radical journals give it any countenance at all. Lord Lansdowne in his day has been Governor-General of Canada, Governor-General of India, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and in May, 1915 his lordship became a member of the Coalition Government with a seat in the Cabinet without a portfolio. Though he ceased to be a member of the Government when Mr. Asquith fell from power, the distinguished officer his lordship has held in the service of the State would naturally lead one to suppose that when he spoke or wrote on the subject of the great crisis in which the Empire stands to-day he would represent a phase of public opinion which could not be ignored. There is absolutely no evidence that he has done so in this case. It is true that one London newspaper says that the Lansdowne letter expresses the views of thoughtful men; but who, and where, are these thoughtful men? No man who studies the whole position can come, it seems to us, to any other conclusion than that expressed by Mr. Bonar Law in his recent speech, namely that a peace made upon the basis of Lord Lansdowne's letter would really be a defeat for us. "If in the end we could not see it through," said Mr. Bonar Law, "did any one really believe that the unity of the British Empire would retain its solidarity and become a greater reality still, as a result of the war?" That is a consideration which no British statesman can ignore. It has been claimed by the London Daily News that Lord Lansdowne's policy means no sacrifice of the permanent or primary aims of the war; but, whatever it is intended to mean, it is fairly plain to most men that if practical effect were given to that policy before Germany is compelled to admit defeat, then we should find in very few years that we have wasted millions of lives and millions of treasure in vain. Our war aims have been clearly affirmed time and again, and there can be no surrender of them which cannot count as a defeat, and for Lord Lansdowne

to publish at this critical juncture a letter calculated to undermine the national purpose, and to enhearten our enemies is to render a great disservice to the Empire and to belaud his own most honourable record in the service of the State.

### NEWS OF THE DAY.

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Exchange opened this morning unchanged, 2/10½ demand. At noon, however, a rise of a quarter was announced, 2/11½ demand.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Mr. Li Shui Kum, \$100  
Mr. Yeung Shui Wong, 50  
Mr. Lai Hon, 25  
Mr. Yeung Tsun Cho, 25

His Britannic Majesty's Minister at Bangkok has forwarded to the Royal Siamese Government a cheque for 15,000 Ticals as a first instalment from the British Flood Relief Fund opened at the British Legation on November 8th, with the request that this sum may be applied to the immediate relief of the unfortunate sufferers from the inundations.

The Japanese members of the community had a gala day yesterday at Shatin. In the morning there were such sports as generally mark a European festival of the kind—egg-and-spoon races, three-legged races, blindfold races, &c., &c., and after the entertainment was of a purely Japanese character—geisha dancing, wrestling and fencing. The affair, which seems to have become an annual event, was organised, we understand, by the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha. There were over a thousand persons present, including a few Europeans, and a delightful day was spent.

#### SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The Rev. H. C. Moyle, Chaplain at St. John's Cathedral, is returning to the Colony on a Japanese steamer.

The death is announced from Madrid of Admiral Montojo, who commanded the Spanish squadron at Cavite (Philippines) during the Spanish-American war.

The Rev. William Lorraine Seymour Dallas, Chaplain to the Forces, who was killed on September 20, spent a few months in a stockbroker's office between school and college. He was the son of the late Charles Henry Dallas, of Shanghai, and previously of Yokohama and Tokyo, and was born in Tokyo in 1884. He was killed instantaneously by a shell, while waiting with his regiment just before they began an attack. The commanding officer writes:—"It was to be, I am sure that he would not wish to have died in a better place than facing the music surrounded by the men whom he had instructed so well in the ideals for which we are fighting."

#### ADJUSTMENT OF SERVICE PAY.

We learn that the pay of the troops of the China Command has been settled. The following telegram, dated 30th November, 1917, has been received:—

"With reference to your telegram as to the rate of exchange, scheme approved for conversion in China Command except Wei-Hai-Wei as from November 1st as follows:—

Para. 1.—For purposes of calculation add together pay and allowances issued locally taking allowances for this purpose at 10 dollars per pound. For quarters and issues in kind regulated Lodging Allowances and local value of rations should be taken.

Para. 2.—75 per cent. of total thus arrived at in sterling up to maximum of £200 per annum may be converted into Dollars at 2/- to the Dollar.

Para. 3.—One half of excess of total over £200 per annum may also be converted at 2/- to the Dollar.

Para. 4.—Amount in Dollars arrived at para. 2 and para. 3 will be inclusive of local allowances issuable in Dollars.

Para. 5.—Balance will be converted at current rate of exchange.

An arrangement of a similar character has been made with regard to Naval pay.

### AFFAIRS AT CANTON.

[FROM THE CANTON INTELLIGENCE BUREAU.]

### THE POLICY OF SELF-GOVERNMENT TO BE CONTINUED.

Acting Military Governor Mr. King-bien of Kwangtung, by an executive order to all departments of Government, has again declared that the policy of self-government proclaimed in Canton shall be continued until the Central Government observes the Provisional Constitution which provides for a free representative assembly of the people.

### HU HAN-MIN ELECTED CIVIL GOVERNOR.

The Provincial Assembly of Kwangtung has unanimously elected Former Governor-General Hu Han-min Civil Governor, vice General Li Yao-hon, resigned.

### DR. WU TING-FANG'S VISIT.

Dr. Wu Ting-fang, the veteran Chinese lawyer and diplomat, arrived at Canton November 30. He was received at the landing by Admiral Ching Pi-kwang, representatives of the Military Government and National Assembly, Acting Military Governor Mr. Ying-hsien and other leading officials and citizens of Kwangtung.

Dr. Wu has come at the invitation of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, General Lu Ying-fang, General Tong Chi-yao, and other leaders of the South-West, who have also called upon the services of Former Premier Tang Shao-yi who is expected to be soon in Canton.

We are informed that Dr. Wu and Mr. Tong are supporting the demands of the South-Western leaders that the Provisional Constitution which provides for a representative assembly of the people shall be respected and upheld and that the National Assembly which has been illegally dissolved shall be reconvened in regular session without further interference from other branches of the government.

The resignation of General Tuan Chi-fu, it is believed by the South-Western leaders, will undoubtedly open the way for a satisfactory adjustment of the differences between the Peking Government and the South-West. The reconvention of the National Assembly will afford an opportunity for a united China to actively participate in the war and pursue an aggressive policy against Germany and Austria-Hungary. The South-West regrets exceedingly that internal disturbance at home has prevented the National Assembly from adopting important measures essential to immediate participation against the enemy of democracy.

### ITALIAN CONVENT BAZAAR.

The Italian Convent Bazaar which was opened on Saturday, was well patronised. At the time appointed for the opening, Mrs. Galluzzi, mother of the Acting Consul General of Italy, who was received by Bishop Pozzoni on her arrival, declared the Bazaar opened. She was then accompanied on a round of inspection of the numerous stalls, laid out in the hall of the new building. Quite a stream of visitors followed, accompanied by a large number of children for whom the stalls were made attractive by a display of toys and confectionery. The Lucky Well provided quite a lot of fun during the forenoon.

Shortly afterwards, H. E. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., the Officer Administering the Government, accompanied by his Private Secretary, Mr. E. Ponsbury Fane, paid the Convent the honour of a visit to the Bazaar. His Excellency also patronised the fair by making a few purchases. Later in the afternoon, Miss Iris May, daughter of H. E. the Governor, visited the Bazaar and was also an interested patroness. During the rest of the afternoon the Bazaar was visited by quite a large number of friends of the Convent, including Lady Chatter and the wives of the leading Chinese gentlemen in Hongkong.

The band of the St. Joseph's Congregation, under Bandmaster Vassallo, provided an interesting programme of music while the Bazaar was in progress.

There was an excellent display of the needlework, for which the Convent is famous, arrayed on the stalls for sale. The Bazaar will be continued to-day, and the total result will doubtless prove a very gratifying success, especially in view of the many heavy demands which the war is continually making upon public charity.

### THE MAGISTRACY.

#### A RETURNED BANISHEE.

In Mr. Dyer Ball's Court, this morning, a Chinese who had been banished for ten years and had returned after six months, said that he had returned in order to find work.

His Worship sentenced the accused to one year's hard labour.

#### AN OLD BOWL.

Before Mr. Dyer Ball, this morning, a Chinese was charged with being in the unlawful possession of an ornamental bowl, valued at \$1.

The accused said that he had purchased the bowl, which was in a very dirty condition, on the Praya East for a few coppers. He cleaned it and intended to sell it again. He had no license as a hawk.

His Worship said that the accused ought to have known that the article must have been stolen, since it was purchased at such a low price. He sentenced the accused to a fine of \$3 or seven days' imprisonment for not having a hawk's license.

#### STEALING BAGS.

A Chinese was charged with the larceny of seven bags from a Chinese woman. The accused said that he had been given the bags as a "cunahaw."

Mr. Wood did not believe the story and sentenced the accused to six weeks' hard labour.

#### LARCENY OF OLD WIRE.

A Chinese workman, who said he had been sent to do some repairs to a print office in Queen's Road, was seen leaving the premises with some old wire. A hukong arrested him.

His Worship remanded the case to ascertain whether the story of having done work on the said premises was true.

#### UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF OPIUM.

A Chinese was charged with being in the unlawful possession of seventeen pounds of prepared opium.

The accused, who was employed on the s.s. *Jacob*, not being able to give a satisfactory explanation as to how he came by the opium was fined \$1,200 or six months' imprisonment, and the opium to be confiscated.

Another Chinese, employed on the same ship, charged with being in the unlawful possession of five pounds of prepared opium, was fined \$500 or three months' imprisonment, and the opium to be confiscated.

#### CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

#### CASE WITHDRAWN.

The November Criminal Sessions were resumed this morning, before Sir William Rees Davies, K.C., Chief Justice.

In the case of Leung Kam Yau, who was charged with disobedience to an order of banishment, having returned to the Colony after having been banished for 20 years on August 20, 1914, the Attorney-General said that he would enter a *nolle prosequi*.

His Lordship, addressing the accused, said:—"The Attorney-General has entered a *nolle prosequi*, which means that he will exercise his discretion and will not proceed further with the charge against you. You are therefore discharged."

### HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

#### MUSKETRY COURSE, 1917-18.

(1) Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Sections (No. 1 Company) are provisionally warned to attend the Range on Sunday, December 9th.

(2) Members of the Band, Orchestra, Bagpipers and Drummers and Ambulance desirous of firing the 1917-18 Musketry Course will send in their names immediately to their O. O. Classes of instruction will be arranged for these units.

(3) 44 men fired on Sunday, 2nd November. Highest score obtained was 110. Average per man 90.3. 8 qualified as marksmen and 17 as first class shots.

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### THE CHILDREN'S COLDS.

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### HEATHER DAY.

St. Andrew's Fair was continued on Saturday. Though it was not officially re-opened until 7 p.m. the scene of the Fair was open to all comers in the afternoon without charge for admission. The roundabout, the swings, and various other attractions were well patronised, but the main feature of the afternoon were the golfing competitions. There was also a guessing competition in which competitors were required to guess the weight of the animals at the Zoo. The whole manager was afterwards disposed of "in separate lots to suit purchasers," the auctioneer being Inspector Taylor, and when the Fair opened in the evening the Zoo had been transformed into a dancing hall, and to the music of the pipes dancing was indulged in up to midnight. Another feature of the evening was a boxing competition which drew a large crowd of spectators.

#### RESULTS OF COMPETITIONS.

##### GUESSING COMPETITION.

The winners of the guessing competition were:—  
Weight of black goat, 80½ lbs.—Mrs. Huxton, 50 lbs.; 2. Mrs. Sudd, 53½ lbs.; 3. A. D. Robson, 49 lbs.  
Weight of two sheep, 149½ lbs.—1. W. G. Glendinning and Peter Oliver (tie), 150 lbs.; 2. A. E. de Silva, 153 lbs.  
Weight of six pigs, 74½ lbs.—1. L. Guy, 47½ lbs.; 2. A. K. Jones, 470 lbs.; 3. Q. M. S. Hole and Pte. Fringle (tie), 480 lbs.  
Combined weights of one of each of all the above animals, 674½ lbs.—1. Dr. Forsyth, 650 lbs.

##### RAFFLES.

The tea-cloth, raffled by Mrs. Templeton, was won by Mr. R. M. Dyer, with ticket No. 228.

An orange put up for auction by the Hongkong Hotel was bought by Mr. Bunje for \$21.

The raffia for the doll, "Spud Tamsan," was won by Mr. D. Gow with ticket No. 240. It was, however, given back to the Fair for sale or auction.

The raffia for the doll, "Constable Sullivan," was won by Mr. R. S. Ainsley with ticket No. 202.

"Highland Ladies" was won by ticket No. 202.

The Civil Hospital 20 cent Raffle List of winning numbers is as follows:—

2191, 697, 1789, 1588, 1537, 1373, 2320, 743, 1034, 1831, 1583, 275, 1081, 1109, 39, 1701, 102, 2088, 238, 1004, 281, 816, 2158, 1591, 1634, 199, 1397, 1983, 1184, 186, 236, 1138, 866, 908, 782, 1092, 916, 1386, 13, 1895, 81, 1112, 1586, 42, 1922, 1639.

The prizes may be obtained from Miss Sloan, Matron, Civil Hospital, any day up to 5 p.m.

##### BOXING MEETING.

The following are the boxing results:—  
A. B. Donohue v. Stoker Kinsey—Donohue was knocked out in the fourth round.

Stoker Martin v. Stoker Arbuckle—Martin won at the end of the sixth round on points.

Leading Stoker Symth v. Leading Seaman Ramsden—Ramsden was knocked out in the fourth round.

Stoker Booth v. Stoker Powell—Three rounds, ended in a draw.

An exhibition of three rounds was given by A. B. Treherne and "Sapper" Miles.

Mr. W. S. Bailey acted as referee. The organisers were Inspectors Widen, Clark, and Langan, and Messrs. Ward and Todd.

##### GOLF COMPETITIONS.

The following are the results of the competitions played during the Fair over the St. Andrew's Course on the Murray Parade Ground:—

Running Pool over 7 holes Course.  
Mrs. F. Matland, 18  
Capt. F. E. Milner Jones, 19  
Mr. K. M. Cumming, 19

Messrs. W. D. Kraft, A. C. Davidson, W. T. Elton, and T. A. Laughlin tied for 4th prize, the draw which resulted as follows will be played over the course to-day at 5 p.m.—Mr. A. C. Davidson v. Mr. T. A. Laughlin, Mr. W. T. Elton v. Mr. W. D. Kraft.

475 Cards were taken out. A charge of \$1 per card was made. Mr. Cumming unfortunately has had to scratch on account of leaving the Colony and will be awarded 3rd prize.

##### CLOCK GOLF.

Mrs. N. Neighbour, 19.  
Mr. F. E. Glazebrook, 20.

The following tied for 3rd & 4th prizes and are requested to play off to-day on Murray Parade ground at 5 p.m. Miss Wilkinson, Messrs. W. R. Neighbour, A. C. Leith, G. B. Dunnett, T. A. Laughlin, K. E. Grig, W. Ross and M. M. Mass, the result of the draw is as follows:—Mr. T. A. Laughlin v. Mr. W. R. Neighbour; Mr. M. M. Mass v. Mr. K. E. Grig; Mr. W. Ross v. Mr. G. B. Dunnett; and Mr. A. C. Leith v. Miss Wilkinson. Number of cards taken out, 148, at \$1 each.

##### BOGEY COMPETITION.

Mrs. T. E. Pearce 2 down, 9 cards.  
Mr. W. Ross 2 down 38 cards.

The charge for this competition was \$2 per card.

SPECIAL PRIZE FOR MOST ENTRIES.  
Ladies:—Mrs. T. E. Pearce.  
Gents:—Capt. F. E. Milner Jones.

The Colonel Bogey contest rather lost its popularity on account of the other golf attractions, but was nevertheless the source of drawing a good income, a record of which was not kept on account of the irregular prices charged. Colonel Bogey and his assistants take this opportunity of thanking those

### EAST RIVER AND CANTON NEWS NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

### THE COUNTRY UP THE EAST RIVER BADLY DISTURBED.

Recently I made a five days' trip to Weichow from Canton. Many rumours of disturbances had appeared in the local papers. Our party reached Shek Lung where there had been an attempt to start an insurrection. The soldiers had been excited to rebel against the Provincial government. The railroad track was derailed on the Canton end; to prevent the troops from Canton reaching Shek Lung. This rebellion had been suppressed by the time we reached there. Everything seemed settled.

The whole East River section from Shek Lung to Weichow was badly disturbed. Boats were not running regularly. Only a few river-boats attempted to pass through the infested sections. The passage boat was attacked three days before we made the trip by a large band of armed robbers. Many of these robbers were ex-soldiers. They were well armed. One passenger was killed. The robbers secured some booty from the launch and came to an agreement with the launch-people where the launches can be run under certain conditions. The captain of the launch told me that he had to pay the robber guild \$400 per month before he could run his boat. This did not guarantee protection all the way, but along the most dangerous section from Shek Lung to Weichow. The robbers had control of the river traffic largely. The hand of the government was weak and helpless to compete with the robbers.

### THE SITUATION AT WEICHOW.

Weichow has been a hotbed of rebellion for years. I was interested to see the situation. I found the whole country around the city in a precarious condition. The people in the country were afraid to come to the city and the people in the city were afraid to go into the country. All passenger boats had been stopped except those coming to Canton, and it was not certain about the Canton boats. Great bands of robbers were overrunning the country. Many of the soldiers had gone to fight the rebels as they were called, close to Swatow. Only a few days before I reached the city there had been an attempt made to induce Weichow to cast in her lot with the Northern troops—those in sympathy with the North who were fighting considerably south of Swatow. The troops in Weichow were pretty well divided at one time, but the attempted uprising has failed, and armed peace was brought about. However, the people felt that at almost any moment there might be fighting in Weichow. If the news had come of victory for the Northern troops, Weichow would have had serious trouble. While I was at Weichow news came of victory for the Southern troops as they were marching against the Swatow rebels, and this improved the situation at Weichow.

### CANTON NOT ALTOGETHER QUIET.

A man came to me yesterday morning and told me of a difficulty in the city near the central fruit market where thirteen dead bodies were seen. This city was considerably disturbed over this and other uprisings. The other day some of the smaller gunboats were scheming to overthrow the government. These efforts being discovered, two of these boats were sunk in the river by the men who had planned the rebellion, to prevent the boats from falling into the hands of the friends of the present government. Dr. Sun has had a serious misunderstanding with some of the higher officials. He has wanted to use the navy to drive out some with whom he does not agree. In spite of these difficulties, the general condition appears to be very favourable. The city seems quiet and the leaders are hopeful of their cause, and believe they will succeed in restoring their country to a form of government more Republican than it has been in the past. Looking at the situation from the reports coming to us their outlook is more hopeful than it has been for some time.

### PHOTOGRAPHIC MEMORIOS.

Mr. A. Fong sends us 14 recollections of photographs of different features of the festival. Copies are obtainable from Messrs. A. Tack & Co's store, the whole of the proceeds of the sale being devoted to the Red Cross Fund.



## TELEGRAMS.

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## THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN OUR VICTORY AND THE GERMAN REPLY.

London, Dec. 2. Reuter's Correspondent at Headquarters states that the amount of territory the enemy gained in Friday's attack at the loss of 1,000 bodies, is so trifling that it scarcely shows appreciably upon the military map and tactically, the situation may be said to remain virtually unaffected by the fighting.

Owing to our magnificent spirit and determination of the troops the difference between our recent splendid victory and the German reply is that we retain our gains up to depth of nearly six miles whereas the Germans were, nearly everywhere, driven back to the positions from which they started.

Their intention was to turn our line and to pinch us out from our new salient. Towards Cambrai, it was a test of the respective fighting qualities with the odds probably about three to one in favour of the Germans.

## THE GERMAN LOSSES.

London, Dec. 1. Reuter's Correspondent at Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, states that the German losses during their ambitious counter-attack on November 30, were terribly heavy, particularly in the bigger of the two attacks between Moeuvres and Bourlon where they advanced across the open in closely-massed waves without even attempting a smoke screen concealment. Our gunners never had such an exposure of human targets and the ground is deeply strewn over a very wide area, with grey corpses.

This attack was launched by seven Divisions and achieved no success whatever, owing to the intensity of our thickly concentrated artillery.

The southern attack between Teulincourt and Masnières, was undertaken by five Divisions, and our line was temporarily pressed back.

## THE ITALIAN FRONT.

## VIOLENT STRUGGLE CONTINUES.

London, Dec. 2. An Italian official message states that there was most intense artillery activity, from the Asiago Plateau to the Lower Piave.

We drove back the enemy attempting to approach Meledio.

One of our parties reached an enemy position in the Mount Pertica region, but was unable to hold it owing to the concentrations of artillery fire.

## POPULATION LEAVING VENICE.

Venice, Dec. 2. Two-thirds of the population have departed and an average of 1,000 are leaving every day. Those remaining are receiving a shilling a day each, and are provided with work. They declare that they are resolved to defend the city to the last drop of blood. Their moral and spirit are very high.

Only nine English subjects remain, including the British Vice-Consul and his family and Miss Constance Fletcher, who is bravely sticking to her post in the military hospital.

[Miss Constance Fletcher, referred to above, is the well-known novelist and dramatist who wrote under the nom de plume of George Fleming.]

## DROUGHT ASSISTING ENEMY ON THE PIAVE.

## ITALIAN DEFENCE OF THE RIVER.

London, Dec. 1. Reuter's Correspondent at the Italian Headquarters telegraphs:—

The Italians are now praying for rain. The drought has made the Piave very low, greatly assisting the enemy who is endeavouring to cross by wading, by pontoon bridges constructed at night-time, and by rafts and boats. The Italian artillery has destroyed most of the last-named. The Italians generally purposely allow the enemy to cross and then fire right into the crowded troops who scatter like sheep, some running along the banks where they are shot down singly, others throwing themselves into the water hoping to regain the further shore.

## THE PEACE

## MANOEUVRES.

## GERMANY PREPARED TO NEGOTIATE A DEMOCRATIC PEACE ON ALL FRONTS.

London, Dec. 2. A message from Petrograd says that General Trotsky has informed the Allied Diplomats that Germany is prepared to negotiate a democratic peace on all fronts, and asks the Allies whether they wish to participate in the negotiations, which open on Sunday.

Sir George Buchanan, the British Minister, has issued a statement pointing out that General Trotsky's armistice Note was delivered at the Embassy 19 hours after the Russian Generalissimo had been ordered to negotiate an armistice. Thus the Allies were confronted with an accomplished fact. It was impossible for him to reply to a Government which his own Government had not recognised.

## A RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR DISMISSED.

General Trotsky has dismissed M. Nakoloff, the new Ambassador to Paris.

## CHIEF OF NAVAL STAFF IMPRISONED.

Count Knapitz, Chief of Naval Staff, has been imprisoned in the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul, charged with fomenting a strike.

## EXPRESS TRAIN HELD UP.

It is officially announced that a band of armed soldiers held up an express train outside Moscow and robbed the passengers.

## STRONG PROTESTS BY AMERICA AND FRANCE.

Petrograd, Dec. 2. The American Military Representative at the Russian Headquarters, on behalf of the United States Government, has strongly protested to General Dukhonin against Russia concluding a separate armistice.

The French Representative has told General Dukhonin that France does not recognise the People's Commissioners and is confident that the Russian Command will reject the criminal negotiations.

## AMERICA AND RUMANIA.

## A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT WILSON.

Washington, Dec. 2. President Wilson has telegraphed to the King of Rumania that the United States is determined to continue to assist Rumania in her struggle to preserve her freedom against German domination, and to support Rumania to her utmost after the war.

## BRITISH SUBJECTS NOT ALLOWED TO LEAVE RUSSIA.

Petrograd, Dec. 1. General Trotsky has ordered that no British subject shall be allowed to leave Russia until the interned Russians in Great Britain are released.

## RUSSIAN ARTILLERY PREVENTS FRATERNISATION.

London, Dec. 2. A Rumanian communiqué states: The Russian artillery prevented attempts at fraternisation.

A Rumanian patrol arrested a German sub-lieutenant and a Caidet who were carrying manifestoes and proclamations to the Rumanians.

## VIOLENT ARTILLERY ACTIONS ON FRENCH FRONT.

London, Dec. 1. A French communiqué states: There were violent artillery actions at St. Quentin and in the region to the south of Juvin-court.

On the right of the Meuse we repulsed an enemy coup de main, to the north-west of Bezonvaux.

## SUGGESTED ARMISTICE FOR CHRISTMAS.

Stockholm, Dec. 2. The Swedish Peace Society has telegraphed to the helligarent Premier suggesting an armistice for Christmas.

## PAY OF THE GERMAN SOLDIER INCREASED.

Amsterdam, Dec. 2. General von Hoven announced in the Reichstag that the pay of private soldiers would be increased by one-third and, for non-commissioned officers, by twenty per cent.

## MR. LLOYD GEORGE ON THE SITUATION.

Paris, Dec. 2.

Mr. Lloyd George, interviewed by the Petit Parisien, stated:—The moment is very serious. Everything must give way before the importance of our object. We have men, munitions, economic and financial resources and the feeling that we are fighting for the right. Let us strain every nerve now to make unity of direction and control into realities. If we don't waste time and are resolved to win the war we shall do so. We must have will, patience, endurance and tenacity, then we shall conquer.

## WAR CREDIT VOTED BY REICHTAG.

Amsterdam, Dec. 1. The Reichstag has voted a credit of fifteen milliards of marks, the independent Socialists alone voting against the credit.

## PALESTINE.

## A TURKISH ATTACK.

London, Dec. 2.

An official message from Palestine states:—The Turks attacked, at one o'clock yesterday morning, in the neighbourhood of Beitur-el-Ahmad and Bir-el-Buri and gained a foothold in our position. We ejected them at daybreak, taking 200 prisoners.

The enemy's losses in the recent attacks were very heavy.

Our aeroplanes dropped a ton of bombs on a camp, on the railway, on batteries, an aerodrome at Tulkram and an important junction of the Turkish communications.

## THE SILVER MARKET.

London, Dec. 1. The Silver Market is featureless.

## THE TEA SUPPLY IN GREAT BRITAIN.

London, Dec. 2. The Tea Control Committee states that the November sales were larger than was anticipated early in the month but the percentage is 68 per cent of the normal supplies. This percentage is being distributed as rapidly as the weights can be obtained and the teas taken from Bond.

## RUMANIAN PEACE OFFER NOT CONFIRMED.

Amsterdam, Dec. 1. Dr. von Kuehlmann, speaking in the Reichstag, said that the rumours that Rumania had offered to negotiate peace were not confirmed.

## LADIES' RECREATION CLUB.

## LADIES SINGLES OPEN TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP.

1st round Played Winner

Mrs. Sandman U.S.R.C. Mrs. Kent U.S.R.C.

Mrs. Kent U.S.R.C. Mrs. Kent U.S.R.C.

Mrs. Lindsell U.S.R.C. Mrs. Lindsell U.S.R.C.

Mrs. Hill U.S.R.C. Mrs. Hill U.S.R.C.

Mrs. Ball L.R.C. Mrs. Ball L.R.C.

Mrs. Draper U.S.R.C. Mrs. Draper U.S.R.C.

Mrs. Nibbet U.S.R.C. Mrs. Nibbet U.S.R.C.

Mrs. Robinson U.S.R.C. Mrs. Robinson U.S.R.C.

Mrs. Scott U.S.R.C. Mrs. Scott U.S.R.C.

Mrs. Beckwith U.S.R.C. Mrs. Beckwith U.S.R.C.

Mrs. McNeill U.S.R.C. Mrs. McNeill U.S.R.C.

Mrs. Digby U.S.R.C. Mrs. Digby U.S.R.C.

Mrs. Goddard U.S.R.C. Mrs. Goddard U.S.R.C.

Mrs. Abloh U.S.R.C. Mrs. Abloh U.S.R.C.

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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## A BIG ENEMY EFFORT THAT FAILED.

London, Dec. 1.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, reports:—

Yesterday's German attack was a big determined effort to cut our railway communications at two places, making our salient untenable, but the attempt definitely failed.

The Germans retain some of their gains, but they are not sufficient to exercise a tactical effect on the situation. Our counter-attacks were vigorously pressed home that our northern line is almost wholly restored, while in the south, beyond occupying the village of Gonnelle, lying in a dip between two ridges, the Germans have little to show for their costly attacks.

They probably took some prisoners, but it is believed that such gains as had to be abandoned under the pressure of the first rush were blown up, so that our proud claim that the Germans have not taken a single gun intact since the beginning of the Somme offensive probably still holds.

The enemy's losses are known to have been very heavy.

The southern attack was on a front of 12,000 yards. Apparently the enemy employed five assaulting divisions. By ten o'clock the enemy was well in Gouzeaucourt, and by about mid-day we delivered our counter-attack.

## FRENCH DRIVE OFF ATTACKERS.

London, Dec. 1.

A French communiqué states:—The artillery duel increased on the right bank of the Meuse and at Beaumont Bois, in the Le Champs sector, followed by a violent attack on our positions north of Bois-des-Fosses.

Our assailants were driven back after lively fighting, and our line was entirely maintained.

## THE ITALIAN FRONT.

## INTENSE ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

London, Dec. 1.

An Italian official report states:—The intense artillery firing along the whole front continues.

## GERMAN EAST AFRICA.

## THE LAST REMAINING ENEMY COLUMN.

London, Dec. 1.

An East Africa official report states:—General Northey's troops are concentrating westward of the Mochi Valley, and are co-operating in measures to deal with the last remaining German column, which is estimated at about two thousand rifles.

## THE OPERATIONS IN PALESTINE.

## FURTHER PRISONERS TAKEN.

London, Dec. 1.

An official report from Palestine states:—The enemy rushed our advanced works on Thursday night on the south bank of the Nabrudja in the vicinity of Birket-el-Jamus, establishing himself close to our line.

The Australian mounted troops, on Friday morning, surrounded a detachment, capturing 148 prisoners.

We captured 406 prisoners at Beitur-el-Fokha on Friday.

## GERMAN FOREIGN MINISTER ON A RUSSO-GERMAN PEACE.

Amsterdam, Dec. 1.

Dr. von Kuehlmann, the Foreign Minister, speaking in the Reichstag on the forthcoming Russo-German peace negotiations, said that Germany's policy in this matter would be guided by firm but moderate statesmanship, based upon facts. He spoke somewhat vaguely about re-organization of affairs in the East, taking fully into account the rights of nations to determine their own destinies, with the qualification that permanent essential Russo-German interests must be safeguarded.

## RUSSIAN CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS.

Petrograd, Dec. 1.

The Constituent Assembly elections showed that the Maximalists in Petrograd polled 422,000 votes, the Cadets 247,000, and the Social Revolutionaries 192,000. Lenin, Trotsky, Milukoff and Bogacheff were elected.

The ex-Ministers of the Provisional Government confined in the Peter and Paul Fortress offered to vote on condition that a military guard accompanied them to the polling-station, but this was refused.

The Cadets held the poll in several provincial towns.

## COTTON SPINNERS TO STRIKE.

London, Dec. 1.

The Executive Committee of the operative Cotton Spinners' Amalgamation has issued instructions to members in all districts for them to tender one week's notice that they will cease work. All notices must be lodged in the codices of the evening week.

The Federation of Master Cotton Spinners' Associations' committee, with the Amalgamation's at 60, Gresham Street, has offered a further advance in wages, in addition to the immediate ten per cent already offered, but the matter of the format was not discussed. The conference was adjourned for consideration.

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## SPORTING.

## LEAGUE CRICKET.

H.K. UNIVERSITY v. C.R.C.

The University in the match on Saturday beat the Chinese Recreation Club. Scores:—

China Recreation Club:—

R. A. Ponsbury, c. Wei Lee San, b. Ng Sze Kwong, 38

F. A. Redmond, c. Wong Fo Keung, b. Ng Sze Kwong, 1

W. G. Gittins, b. Un. Hwa Fan, b. Ng Sze Kwong, 0

J. D. Wright, c. Wei Lee San, b. Yow Man Chung, 0

K. Brayshaw, b. Ng Sze Kwong, 41

G. E. Marley, b. Yow Man Chung, 24

A. H. Rummah, c. b. Ho Win King, 13

W. Hall, c. Wong Fo Keung, b. Ng Sze Kwong, 10

W. Allen, run out, 0

J. M. Jack, c. Wong Kwok Kwang, b. Ng Sze Kwong, 2

Extras, 3

Total, 130

BOWLING ANALYSIS:

Ng Sze Kwong, 10.3.2.51.5

Yow Man Chung, 4.1.32.2

Ho Win King, 3.1.21.1

THE CHINESE RECREATION CLUB:

Ng Sze Yuen, b. Brayshaw, 23

Yow Man Chung, c. Brayshaw, b. Marley, 20

Ng Sze Kwong, b. Marley, 2

G. Lee, b. Brayshaw, 5

Ho Wing King, b. Brayshaw, 4

H. Ching, c. Gittins, b. Brayshaw, 9

Un. Hwa Fan, b. Brayshaw, 0

Wei Lee San, b. Brayshaw, 0

Wong Fo Keung, b. Redmond, 6

Kwok Shiu Yau, run out, 0

Wong Kwok Tsang, not out, 8

Extras, 8

Total, 85

BOWLING ANALYSIS:

Brayshaw, 14.5.27.6

Marley, 4.1.14.2

Redmond, 4.0.0.1

A FRIENDLY.

A Friendly Match was played at Happy Valley on Saturday, between Craigiepower and R.G.A. Devil's Peak. Scores:—

Craigiepower:—

A. W. Grimmett, b. Mann, 11

B. W. Bradbury, b. Othorne, 5

F. Thompson, b. Othorne, 22

T. Ford, c. Veal, b. Othorne, 1

D. K. Kharas, c. Perkins, b. Taylor, 0

R. Rose, c. St. Hanley, b. Perkins, 40

W. Pitt, c. St. Hanley, b. Perkins, 17

Y. Graham, did not bat, 0

J. D. Voria, b. Othorne, 8

R. Pass, not out, 6

T. Thompson, did not bat, 0

Extras, 0

Total, 93

BOWLING ANALYSIS:

Othorne, 12.4.23.4

Mann, 3.1.27.1

Taylor, 3.1.17.1

Perkins, 3.5.21.2

R.G.A.:—

Perkins, b. Graham, 1

R. H. Taylor, b. Grimmett, 0

Mann, b. Graham, 8

Athorne, b. Graham, 15

Glend, not out, 17

Page, c. Thompson, b. Grimmett, 25

Sharp, b. Graham, 8

Hanley, c. Pitt, b. Graham, 1

Nicholls, b. Graham, 0

Veal, c. Stumpedford, b. Graham, 0

Warlick, c. Ford, b. Graham, 2

Extras, 3

Total, 78

BOWLING ANALYSIS:

Grimmett, 13.1.43.2

Graham, 12.3.0.32.8

FOOTBALL.

H.K.D.C. v. NAVY.

The Hongkong Defence Corps met the Navy team in the United Services League on the Club Ground on Saturday. There was a good attendance and some excellent play was witnessed. The H.K.D.C. secured the only goal scored. The Navy team was unfortunate in having two of its members put out of action, one of them temporarily and the other for the rest of the match.

R.E. v. R.G.A.

In this match the Royal Engineers secured the honours by four goals to nil, in spite of the fact that the artillerymen had the best of the play. This was principally due to the former's goalkeeper who managed to save everything put at him.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE v. STAFF AND DEPARTMENTS.

A large crowd of spectators gathered to witness this match and they were rewarded by a very interesting game. St. Joseph's College secured the honours by 3 goals to nil. They were much smarter on the ball. Kirby, on the outside right wing of the Staff and Lawrence, back, distinguished themselves, but their efforts were not sufficiently well backed to enable them to alter the score.

R.E. v. ROWLOON.

This game, played on the Navy ground, was somewhat of a disappointment to the supporters of the Rowloom team in view of the team's recent sensational win over the South China Athletic Club team. They were expected to secure the honours with little difficulty, but the Engineer Reserves put up a good fight and won on 4 goals to nil.

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A SOLDIER EXONERATED.



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MANILA	LOONGSANG.....	FRIDAY, Dec. 14, at 3 p.m.

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necting vessel is secured before departure  
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for Marseilles and London).

Passage will be received at this Office  
until 3 p.m. the day before sailing.  
The contents and value of all packages  
are required.

For further particulars, sailing dates  
etc. apply to

E. V. D. PARR,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, Nov. 23, 1917. 231

## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

TOTO KISEN KAISHA.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO VIA  
HONOLULU AND JAPAN PORTS.

**THE Steamship**  
"PERSIA MARU."

The above-named Steamer having arrived  
Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified  
to send in their Bills of Lading for the con-  
tainers, and to take immediate delivery  
of Cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on SUN-  
DAY, 3rd December at 5 P.M., will be  
landed at Consignee's risk and expense,  
and delivery made, then be taken from the  
Company's Godown.

Storage charges will be assessed on all  
Cargo remaining undelivered on WEDNES-  
DAY, 8th December at 5 P.M.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be  
effected.

No claims will be recognised after the  
Goods have left the Steamer or Godown.

All charred and damaged Cargo will be  
landed into the Company's Godown, where  
they will be examined on 8th December  
at 10 A.M.

No claims will be recognised if filed  
after the 14th December, 1917.

T. DAIGO,  
Agent.

Hongkong, Nov. 29, 1917.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE  
'NEDERLAND' and 'ROTTERDAM'  
'LLOYD' ROYAL MAIL LINES.  
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

**THE Steamship**  
**"ORANJE",**  
 having arrived from SAN FRANCISCO  
 consignees of Cargo are hereby notified  
 that all Goods are being landed at their  
 risk into the Hazardous and/or extra  
 Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong  
 and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Com-  
 Ltd. whence and/or from the wharves  
 delivery may be obtained. Goods not  
 to be recognized will be admitted after the  
 Goods have left the Godowns and all  
 Goods remaining undelivered after noon  
 the 5th December, will be subject to re-  
 All claims against the steamer must be  
 presented to the undergarment on or  
 before the 5th December, or they will not  
 be recognized.  
 All broken, chafed and damaged Goods  
 are to be left in the Godowns, where  
 they will be examined on the 4th  
 December at 10 a.m. by the Company's  
 surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.  
 No Insurance whatsoever has been  
 effected.  
 Bills of Lading will be countersigned  
 by  
**JAYA-CHINA JAPAN LUNN,**  
*Agents.*  
 Hongkong, Nov. 26, 1917. 24

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 Church St. E.C.; G. S. SHERRE & Co., Ltd.,  
 30, 31, Cornhill; GORDON & GORZEL, 15, 16  
 Fleet Street; K. C. ROBERT WATSON, 15  
 Fleet Street; C. MITCHELL & Co., 5, New  
 Hall, Holborn; VICTORIA, Ltd., 1, 2,  
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